

REMARKS

The Examiner indicated that the preamble and claims were not clear as to whether or not the invention included a “vibratory element” and a “support” on account of the recitation of the claims. The Examiner suggested that, if the “vibratory element” and “support” were not to be encompassed by the claims, the words “adapted to couple” could be employed to indicate a non-inclusive relationship. The Examiner’s suggestion has been adopted, and is reflected in the claims as amended.

The Examiner indicated that claims 3-20 would be allowable if rewritten to include all of the limitations of the base claims and any intervening claims. Claim 3 has been rewritten to include the limitations of base claim 1 and intervening claim 2, and claims 1 and 2 have been cancelled. Additionally, claims 4, 11, and 15 has been rewritten to include the limitations of base claim 1. Thus, claims 3, 4, 11, and 15 along with their associated dependent claims 5-10, 12-14 and 16-20 are in condition for allowance and such action is respectfully requested.

It is respectfully requested that, if necessary to effect a timely response, this paper be considered as a petition for an extension of time sufficient to effect a timely response and that shortages in fees, if any, be charged, or any overpayment in fees credited, to the Account of Barnes & Thornburg, Deposit Account No. 10-0435 with reference to file 15690-79540.

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